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## **REMARKS**

In response to the examiner's requirement for election of a single disclosed species, the applicants elect the compounds of formula I wherein:

R = COOH

 $X = NR^{14}$ 

Y = 0

z = 0

The examiner's requirement for election/restriction The examiner's reference to "...Table, Table 2, Table traversed. 4 " is not understood. However, the examiner's mere reference to the breadth of compounds encompassed by formula I does not serve to support the examiner's assertion of lack of unity of invention. The examiner's position is conclusionary. All of the compounds share as a common technical feature the heterocyclic moiety wherein X is nitrogen or CR14 and therefore represent a single general inventive concept. Favorable reconsideration is solicited.

Claim 1 has been amended in accordance with U.S. practice.

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